## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

M. DIANE KOKEN, in her official capacity : as Insurance Commissioner of the Commonwealth : of Pennsylvania, as Liquidator of RELIANCE : INSURANCE COMPANY (IN LIQUIDATION), :

Plaintiff,

v. : CIVIL ACTION NO. 07-48

PAULA FINANCIAL,

Defendant.

## PLAINTIFF'S REPLY AND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES TO DEFENDANT'S COUNTERCLAIM

Plaintiff by and through her attorneys Fox Rothschild LLP, hereby replies and asserts affirmative defenses to the counterclaim of defendant Paula Financial ("Defendant") as follows:

### **COUNTERCLAIM**

# FIRST COUNTERCLAIM (Declaratory Judgment)

- 1. Denied. The allegations in this paragraph are conclusions of law to which no response is required.
- 2. Denied. The allegations in this paragraph are conclusions of law to which no response is required.
- 3. Denied. The allegations contained in this paragraph are conclusions of law to which no response is required.

### **AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES**

Plaintiff asserts the following affirmative defenses to Defendant's counterclaim.

#### FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Defendant has failed to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.

#### SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Defendant is specifically barred from seeking a declaratory judgment action against Reliance Insurance Company by the October 3, 2001 Order of Liquidation. See a true and correct copy of the October 3, 2001 Order of Liquidation attached as Exhibit "A" to the Complaint at ¶ 22.

#### THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiff reserves the right to assert any additional Affirmative Defenses that may arise during the course of discovery.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment in her favor and against Defendant Paula Financial dismissing the Counterclaim with prejudice and for other such further relief as the Court deems just and appropriate.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Sheldon K. Rennie, Esquire, hereby certify that on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007, I served a true and correct copy of the *Plaintiff's Reply and Affirmative Defenses to Defendant's Counterclaim*, on the following *via* filing electronically with the Clerk of Court using CM/ECF which will send notification of such filing(s) to the following and which has also been served as noted:

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